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Subject: [predict] Re: Urgent: PREDICT ceiling increase questions from USAID

Thanks Molly, we really appreciate how thorough this is!

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On Wed, Nov 29, 2017 at 8:36 AM, Molly Turner <turner@ecohealthalliance.org> wrote:
Sounds good, we'll be ready.

Here's the narrative for the \$52K.

Molly

On Wed, Nov 29, 2017 at 10:55 AM, David J Wolking <djwolking@ucdavis.edu> wrote:
Thanks Molly, received. We'll be in touch with any questions today.

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On Wed, Nov 29, 2017 at 6:06 AM, Molly Turner <turner@ecohealthalliance.org> wrote:
My apologies, attached is the correct Liberia field disposables sheet.

On Wed, Nov 29, 2017 at 9:00 AM, Molly Turner <turner@ecohealthalliance.org> wrote:
Hi David,

Please see below.

Molly

8. No detail is provided for the large \$52,473.00 lump sum cost for "field disposables" under the EHA subagreement "supplies" line item. Please provide a description of items to be purchased, number, and unit cost. In addition, there is an inconsistency between the figure stated in the budget (\$52,473) and the figure in the budget narratives (\$152,473). Please confirm the correct figure and adjust either the budget or narratives as appropriate.

This is referring to "field disposables" for Liberia. We made an error the narrative where we state "...field disposables (for 2,500 animals/year) \$152,473" so apparently an extra "1" was added to the \$52,473 that is actually in the budget. If you can get us some breakdown of this \$52,473 and how it relates to the 2,500 animals that would be super!

As we discussed yesterday, we actually budgeted for 10,000 animals per year in the narrative and budget we submitted, for a total of \$195,831 in Year 4. I checked again this morning and it says this on page 80 of the narrative that Liz returned to us as what was submitted to USAID (attached). I don't see \$52,473 anywhere. Are you sure this is what we should provide?

As we agreed I have justified \$52,473 for 2,500 animals in the attached excel spreadsheet. I am working on the narrative, which I plan to model on the India portion of what Liz returned to us (page 53). Would be great if you could confirm that this is what you need as soon as you can.

9. EHA proposed a 35.4% indirect cost rate. Please provide a copy of the most current NICRA so that the rate and bases of application may be verified.

Can you just share your latest PDF of the NICRA? Liz says it was in the original packet from 7/24/17 but we should just attach it again (and I don't have it on hand) for quick reference.

Attached is the NICRA we provided.

10. Please provide a justification for NPHIL's 60% indirect cost rate. Please provide audited financials, a current NICRA or other appropriate justification.

This has to be an error (unless NPHIL has a NICRA or other documentation for that high rate). In our Y4 budget for Liberia (the recently approved one) it's listed as 10% (deminimus rate for a foreign sub without a NICRA per the uniform guidance), so we just need a confirmation here.

We agreed on yesterday's call that this 60% was probably drawn from CU's rate, for which they can provide you with documentation upon request. NPHIL is only budgeted for a 10% de minimus rate.

11. No fringe is proposed for NPHIL Liberia staff. Please confirm that this is in accordance with local law or adjust your budget accordingly.

Did you build the fringe or benefits rates into their salaries (Lab technicians 1-4 at \$6,800, \$7000, \$7200, and \$7,400)? Any insight here appreciated.

Liberian law only requires that we provide salary.

12. EHA proposed a total of \$325,000.00 for Dr. Desmond, a consultant who will serve as Country Coordinator for their Liberia program (lump sum amounts: \$125,000 Year 3, \$125,000 Year 4, and \$62,500 Year 5). Please provide Dr. Desmond's proposed daily rate, number of days EHA proposes him to work per program year, and information regarding whether he is an expatriate or local hire.

In the budget narrative we have Jim at a \$125,000 rate for Y3 and 4 and then \$62,500 in Y5. This breaks down to about \$520/day at a 20 day per month rate (what UCD uses for consultants). That would be 1,120 days/year. He's a US citizen correct so expat? How do we explain the Y5 reduction in LOE and that rate? Any insight here appreciated as well in addition to corrections to my crude calculations above :-)

Jim's rate is actually hourly (\$65/hour) and is competitive for a field veterinarian of his experience, especially since this rate needs to cover salary, benefits, and some supplies and local travel. \$520/day would be correct, but I calculate that this comes to 240 (8-hour) days/year. He is an expatriate.

We did not actually decrease him in Year 5, but this could be reasonable since field work will be reduced or completed at that point, so less of his time will be required.

On Tue, Nov 28, 2017 at 4:32 PM, David J Wolking <djwolking@ucdavis.edu> wrote:
Thank you!!!



On Tue, Nov 28, 2017 at 1:27 PM, Molly Turner <turner@ecohealthalliance.org> wrote:
Hey David,

Received, we'll have for you by OOB tomorrow, and will give you a call if we have any questions.

Molly

On Tue, Nov 28, 2017 at 4:05 PM, David J Wolking <djwolking@ucdavis.edu> wrote:

Hey Molly, Evelyn, and team,

We finally received feedback from USAID's AO today about the ceiling increase. The bad news is they asked for a one day turnaround on their questions. Jonna, Matt, and I are pulling together all that we can to prepare for a call tomorrow afternoon.

There are a few questions related to EHA and your subs that we need feedback on ASAP, by OOB tomorrow (west coast) at the latest. Hopefully these are not that difficult and please just call me on my cell [REDACTED] if you have any questions.

Apologies for the tight turnaround but considering how long it has taken to get this far, we think it's in our best interest to work with them while they are focused on our award.

Thanks for understanding,

David

EHA-related feedback from the AO (David's comments in blue):

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